

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered). Please AMEND claims 1-13 in accordance with the following:

1. (currently amended) A Toy (1; 2; 3; 10; 20; 30; 40) comprising: a plurality of elements (~~Part 1—Part 4~~), which can be connected magnetically to one another and are covered in each case with a textile material (104—106, 108).

2. (currently amended) The Toy (20; 30) according to Claim 1, wherein characterized
[[-]] ~~in that~~ at least two elements (~~Part 1, Part 2, Part 3~~) have in each case at least one permanent magnet (114—117; 118—121) arranged under a section of the particular textile cover (104—106), the poles of two permanent magnets (114—117; 118—121) being aligned in such a manner that the associated elements (~~Part 1, Part 2, Part 3~~) can be connected to one another via the associated sections of the textile covers (104—106).

3. (currently amended) The Toy (10) according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein characterized
[[-]] ~~in that~~ at least one first element (~~Part 2~~) has at least one part (111, 112) of magnetizable material, in particular metal, arranged under a first section of the textile cover (105), and
[[-]] ~~in that~~ at least one second element (~~Part 1, Part 3~~) has at least one permanent magnet (110, 113) arranged under a second section of the textile cover (104—106) keep, and
[[-]] ~~it being possible for the first and the second element (~~Part 1, Part 2, Part 3~~) to be connected~~ are connectable to one another via the first and the second section of the textile covers (104—106).

4. (currently amended) The Toy (10) according to Claim 3, wherein

characterized

- [[[-]]] in that the at least one first element (~~Part 2~~) does not have a permanent magnet serving to connect elements (~~Part 1, Part 2, Part 3~~), and
- [[[-]]] in that the at least one second element (~~Part 1, Part 3~~) does not have a part of magnetizable material serving to connect elements (~~Part 1, Part 2, Part 3~~).

5. (currently amended) The Toy (10; 20; 30; 40) according to claim 3, wherein one or more of Claims 2 to 4,

characterized

- [[[-]]] in that the magnetic dipole axis of the at least one permanent magnet (110, 113—124, 127) is aligned essentially parallel or orthogonally to that surface section of the associated element (~~Part 1, Part 2, Part 3~~) which serves to connect it to a further element (~~Part 1, Part 2, Part 3, Part 4~~).

6. (currently amended) The Toy (1; 2; 3; 10; 20; 30; 40) according to claim 3, wherein one or more of the preceding claims,

characterized

- [[[-]]] in that the surface sections of in each case two elements (~~Part 1—Part 4~~) which butt against each other in a magnetic connection have a mutually corresponding surface geometry and, in particular, are essentially flat.

7. (currently amended) The Toy (10; 20; 30; 40) according to claim 3, wherein one or more of the preceding claims,

characterized

- [[[-]]] in that the base material (101—103, 107) of the elements (~~Part 1—Part 4~~) is a dimensionally stable and soft material, in particular a soft foam material, in particular polyether foam.

8. (currently amended) The Toy (10; 20; 30; 40) according to claim 3, wherein one or more of Claims 2 to 7,

characterized

[[[-]]] in that the at least one permanent magnet (110, 113—124, 127) and/or the at least one part (111, 112, 125, 126) of magnetizable material are held in cutouts of the particular element (Part 1—Part 4) in such a manner that they are matched to the surface geometry of the associated element (Part 1—Part 4).

9. (currently amended) The Toy {10; 20; 30; 40} according to claim 3, wherein one or more of the preceding claims,

characterized

[[[-]]] in that the textile covers (104—106, 108) of the elements (Part 1—Part 4) are designed in such a manner that, when two permanent magnets (114—123) and/or one permanent magnet (110, 113, 124, 127) and a part (111, 112, 125, 126) of magnetizable material come into contact, a metallic noise is produced.

10. (currently amended) The Toy {1; 2; 3; 10; 20; 30; 40} according to claim 3, wherein one or more of the preceding claims,

characterized

[[[-]]] in that the geometric basic shape of at least one element (Part 1—Part 4) is essentially a rectangular parallelepiped (103) or a tube (102) or a cone (101) or a cylinder or a disc (107) or a shape assembled from the geometric shapes.

11. (currently amended) The Toy {1; 2; 3} according to claim 3, wherein one or more of the preceding claims,

characterized

[[[-]]] in that part of an element or one element or a plurality of elements connected to one another have the external form of an animal, in particular a sheep (Part 2) or a bear (Part 2) or a caterpillar (1), or of part of an animal or of a building or of a means of transport.

12. (currently amended) The Toy {1; 2; 3} according to claim 3, wherein one or more of the preceding claims,

characterized

[[[-]]] in that at least one section of the textile cover of at least one element (Part 1—Part 3) has a reflecting foil or fleecy cloth or rough cloth or a plastic part.

13. (currently amended) ~~The Toy (1; 2; 3)~~ according to claim 3, wherein one or more of the preceding claims,

~~characterized~~

[[[-]]] ~~in that at least one element (Part 2) comprises a means (4, 5) for producing a sound or noise, in particular an animal sound, when mechanical pressure is exerted on the means (4, 5) or when the at least one element (Part 2) is moved.~~